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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 594 By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor the members of the Johnson City Elks #825 for their outstanding accomplishments.

WHEREAS, it is important that the members of this legislative body should pause in their deliberations to honor those persons who have significantly contributed to the well-being of their communities; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Johnson City Elks #825 and the Benevolent and Protective Order, chartered in 1903, exemplify one such group of people which is known throughout the community for its numerous charitable deeds; and

WHEREAS, the motto of the Elks Order is *brotherly love, charity, justice, and fidelity*; and

WHEREAS, the Elks have sponsored numerous events in the community, including a Hoop Shoot Contest for children between the ages of 8-13; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, 11,200 area children participated in the Johnson City Lodge, the largest number of young people to participate in the hoops contest in the state; national contest

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winners were recognized for their outstanding efforts by having their names inscribed in the National Basketball Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Johnson City Elks also sponsors a Little League baseball team contributing over \$1,200 for the purchase of team uniforms and equipment; and

WHEREAS, in 1999 the Order purchased \$8,500 worth of shoes for 232 needy children in the Washington County School System through the local Coy Trivett Shoe Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Elks also contribute to the Benevolent Trust Scholarship for high school seniors who plan to major in nursing in college, and current nursing students at accredited colleges for students with a GPA of 3.0 or better;

WHEREAS, the Johnson City Elks #825 uphold the ideals of truth, and conduct themselves as Good Samaritans of whom we can all be proud; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, That this body does hereby officially honor and express its deep appreciation to the Johnson City Elks, #825 for charitable service to the community of Johnson City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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